

efficiently administer and perform the duties set forth in Section 8 of the Water Rights Adjudication Act; and there is hereby appropriated to the Commission for the biennium ending August 31, 1969, all of such funds for salaries, travel and other necessary expenses."

Sec. 2. The fact that the Water Rights Adjudication Act requires the holders of adjudicated water rights to pay the necessary costs for administration of water rights, the need to appropriate the funds collected for this purpose to the Texas Water Rights Commission and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this Rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 25, 1967, by a non-record vote; passed subject to the provisions of Article III, Section 49a, of the Constitution of the State of Texas; passed by the Senate on May 27, 1967, by a viva-voce vote; passed subject to the provisions of Article III, Section 49a, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Approved June 16, 1967.

Effective Aug. 28, 1967, 90 days after date of adjournment.

## WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION—AUDITS

### CHAPTER 598

#### H.B. No. 170

An Act providing that each river authority and water-related district must file a copy of any audit made of its affairs with the Texas Water Rights Commission; amending Chapter 62, Acts of the 54th Legislature, 1955 (Article 8280—7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. Chapter 62, Acts of the 54th Legislature, 1955 (Article 8280—7, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended <sup>69</sup> to read as follows:

"Section 1. Every river authority, water conservation and reclamation district, water control and improvement district, water improvement district, water control and preservation district, fresh water supply district, levee improvement district, drainage district, navigation district, irrigation district, and any type of water district, created pursuant to Section 59 of Article XVI or Section 52 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, shall file within 60 days after its creation with the Texas Water Rights Commission a certified copy of the Act, with amendments, creating the district or authority, or if authorized to be created by the Texas Water Rights Commission or any county commissioners court, a certified copy of the order creating or authorizing the creation of the district. If the boundaries of any district have been altered or are altered by inclusions or exclusions of land, the district shall file within 60 days after the alteration with the Texas Water Rights Commission a certified copy of the order of the district's governing body altering the boundaries.

"Section 2. Every such district or authority shall file within 60 days in the office of the Texas Water Rights Commission a list of the names and

69. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 8280—7.

addresses of the officers and members of the board of directors or other governing body of the district, which list shall set forth the date that the term of office of each director or member of the governing body shall expire. Thereafter, the district shall notify the commission immediately of any changes in membership due to resignation or death, giving the name of the newly elected or appointed member. After any election or selection of a director or member, the district shall notify the commission within 30 days of the election of the name of the director or member chosen, together with the date that each term of office shall expire.

"Section 3. Every such district or authority shall file a copy of any audit made of its affairs with the county clerk of the county in which the district's headquarters are located and with the Texas Water Rights Commission within 15 days after the audit is completed.

"Section 4. The Texas Water Rights Commission shall adopt a system for the filing of the information required by the provisions of this Act, which file shall be open for inspection by the public during the office hours of the commission.

"Section 5. Failure on the part of any district to comply fully with the provisions of this Act shall subject the district to a civil penalty of not more than \$50 and a further civil penalty of not more than \$2 per day for each day of failure to comply with the provisions and the state may recover the penalty by suit therefor, provided, however, the maximum penalty shall not exceed \$300."

Sec. 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and the Rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 5, 1967, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 25, 1967: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 16, 1967.

Effective Aug. 28, 1967, 90 days after date of adjournment.

## WATER RIGHTS—ACQUISITION BY CONDEMNATION

### CHAPTER 599

#### H.B. No. 178

An Act repealing Article 7584, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, relating to the prohibition against acquisition of riparian rights, water rights, water supply, and certain facilities and lands by a person, corporation, city, town, municipality, or other public corporation by eminent domain or condemnation; and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

Section 1. Article 7584, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, is hereby repealed.<sup>70</sup>

Sec. 2. The fact that the statute was probably impliedly repealed by Section 3, Chapter 128, Acts of the 42nd Legislature, 1931 (Article 7472b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); the confusion occasioned by its presence

70. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 7584, repealed.